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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified, enclosed patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

After the heading "Claims", please insert the following:

What is claimed is:

Please amend Claim 4 as rewritten below:

4. A method according to claim 2, wherein

the path to the destination routing address is checked by broadcasting an inquiry to other mobile nodes if there is no routing table or no valid path available in the routing table.

REMARKS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (as amended on 11/7/2000) the rewritten claim(s) above are shown on separate page(s) marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of that section.

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MARKED UP CLAIM(S)

4. A method according to claim 2-or-3, wherein

the path to the destination routing address is checked by broadcasting an inquiry to other mobile nodes if there is no routing table or no valid path available in the routing table.